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In re Application of:  Ellen H. Filvaroff  Serial No.: 09/685,823  Filed: October 9, 2000  For: <i>Use of Anti-IL-17 Antibodies for the Treatment of Cartilagenous Disorders</i>	Group Art Unit: 1646  Examiner: D. Jiang
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed herein on March 12, 2002.

A petition for a one-month extension of time is enclosed, thereby extending the time period for a timely response to July 12, 2002. While no additional fee is believed necessary for consideration of the enclosed response and amendment, the Commissioner is nonetheless authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, including extension fees, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 07-0630.

AMENDMENTIn the Specification:

Please amend the paragraph at page 1, line 12-15 as follows:

RELATED APPLICATIONS

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The present application claims the benefit of 60/192,103, filed March 24, 2000; and is a continuation-in-part of U.S.S.N. 09/380,142, filed August 25, 1999, which is a 371 of PCT US99/10733 and is a continuation-in-part of U.S.S.N. 09/311,832, filed May 14, 1999, wherein